



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT PROPOSAL FOR SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTCORONAVIRUS SNOHOMISH COUNTY URBAN CONSORTIUM

Snohomish County, as lead agency of the Snohomish County Urban County Consortium, encourages all interested persons, public agencies, organizations, local governments, and other parties to review and comment on the proposed use of supplemental Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV2) funds and to attend a public hearing.

**Background:** The Snohomish County Consortia are partnerships between Snohomish County and the cities and towns in the county for the receipt of federal funds as an urban County, under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs.

The federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) and the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) awarded \$38M in CDBG Coronavirus (CDBG-CV2) funds to the state CDBG program at Commerce. \$10M of the CDBG-CV2 funds are allocated to urban CDBG entitlements to expand and extend CDBG-CV1 activities administered by urban CDBG entitlements, to address COVID-19 and financial need.

The Consortium is eligible for \$956,671 in CDBG-CV2 funds and is currently preparing an application to Commerce. Snohomish County received CDBG-CV1 funds directly from HUD and the proposed use of CDBG-CV2 is to extend and expand CDBG-CV1 programs already preventing, preparing for, and responding to the coronavirus.

**Summary of Proposal:** The CDBG-CV2 funds are proposed to be allocated to Workforce Snohomish for the "Covid-19 Recovery Employment Training Project." A total of \$908,838 in CDBG-CV2 funds will be used to support existing efforts to prepare for, respond to, or prevent the coronavirus by providing comprehensive employment training services to assist households experiencing homelessness, and households with incomes at or below 80% of area median income experiencing housing instability.

A total of \$47,833 in CDBG-CV2 funds will be used by Snohomish County, the grant recipient and lead agency of the Snohomish County Consortium, to undertake required CDBG-CV2 grant planning and administration activities.

**Public Review and Comment:** All interested persons are encouraged to review and comment on the proposal.

- A copy of the full text of the proposal is available at the following locations:
  - on-line at: <a href="https://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/5645/Consolidated-Plan-for-2020-2024">https://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/5645/Consolidated-Plan-for-2020-2024</a>
  - By requesting a copy (contact information listed below).
- Written comments must be submitted no later than 4 p.m. on May 13, 2021, to Debra May via e-mail at <a href="mailto:debra.may@snoco.org">debra.may@snoco.org</a>, or via mail at: Snohomish County Human Services Department, Housing & Community Services Division -- M/S 305, 3000 Rockefeller Ave, Everett, WA 98201. Comments received will be taken into consideration before the proposal is finalized.

**Public Hearing.** Snohomish County will hold a virtual public hearing to provide information on the proposal, to obtain resident views, and to respond to questions. Both oral and written comments will be accepted at the hearing:

Date/Time: Wednesday, May 12, 2021, at 9:00 AM

Where: Join Zoom Meeting:

https://zoom.us/j/91637951487?pwd=bzg2SGMvTmZ3Mk5PbVI4Zy9zT0VuUT09

**Call-in #:** 1-253-215-8782 **Meeting ID:** 916 3795 1487

Passcode: 683565

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**Foreign Language Interpreters.** Foreign language interpreters for the public hearing are available upon advance request when a substantial number of non-English speaking residents can reasonably be expected to participate. To request an interpreter, please contact Debra May at least one week in advance of the hearing by email at <a href="mailto:debra.may@snoco.org">debra.may@snoco.org</a> or by phone at 425-388-3264.